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Honorable James H. Welsh Commissioner of Conservation State of Louisiana Post Office Box 44275 Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70804-4275

Re: APPLICATION FOR PUBLIC HEARING

Tex W Zone, Reservoir B, CLAM BAY FIELD, Plaquemines Parish, Louisiana.

Dear Sir:

BEPCO, L.P. ("Applicant"), hereby respectfully applies for a public hearing to consider evidence relative to the issuance of an Order pertaining to the following matters relating to the Tex W Zone, Reservoir B, in the Clam Bay Field, Plaquemines Parish, Louisiana:

- 1. To establish rules and regulations governing the exploration for and production of gas and condensate from the Tex W Zone, Reservoir B.
- 2. To create a single drilling and production unit for the Tex W Zone, Reservoir B, such unit being shown on the attached plat and being designated TEX W RB SUA.
- 3. To force pool and integrate all separately owned tracts, mineral leases and other property interests within the proposed unit in accordance with Section 10, Title 30, of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, with each separate tract sharing in unit production on a surface acreage basis of participation.
- 4. To designate a unit operator of, and unit well for, the proposed unit as may be appropriate.
- 5. To provide that future wells drilled to the Tex W Zone, Reservoir B, within or outside of the proposed unit be located in accordance with the provisions of LAC 43:XIX.1901 et seq. (Statewide Order No. 29-E).
- 6. To provide that the Commissioner of Conservation may reclassify the Tex W Zone, Reservoir B, by Supplemental Order and without the necessity of a public hearing should any such reclassification be warranted based on evidence furnished to the Commissioner.
 - 7. To consider such other matters as may be pertinent to the Tex W Zone, Reservoir B.

The Tex W Zone in the Clam Bay Field, Plaquemines Parish, Louisiana, was previously defined in Office of Conservation Order No. 1481, effective November 3, 2004.

Any pertinent data concerning this application will be available for inspection at the offices of Louis Gilbert & Associates, Inc., 3636 N. Causeway Blvd., Suite 204, Metairie, Louisiana 70002-7216. Any person wishing to inspect any such data should call Mr. Louis Gilbert at (504) 834-8112 during normal business hours in order to arrange a date and time for such inspection. A copy of

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any such pertinent data which is not otherwise available from the records of the Louisiana Office of Conservation can be obtained from Applicant at the expense of the requesting party.

The pre-application notice in connection with these proposals was filed on December 5, 2006, by Century Exploration New Orleans, Inc. ("Century"). Pursuant to that notice, a pre-application conference was held beginning at 10:00 a.m. on January 10, 2007, in Lafayette, Louisiana. Attached is a list of the names and addresses of those persons present at the conference. On behalf of Century, Mr. Bob Duplantis and Mr. Louis Gilbert explained the purpose of the conference and discussed the basis for the proposals of Century by sufficient data and detail for those present at the conference to have a reasonable opportunity to discuss the proposals and attempt to resolve any differences in good faith. Following the presentation by Century, there was a general question and answer period concerning the proposals of Century, during which representatives of BEPCO, L.P. ("BEPCO"), expressed concern with certain of the proposals of Century and stated that a counterplan would be filed if differences could not be resolved. Thereafter the conference was adjourned with representatives of Century and BEPCO agreeing to continue to work towards a resolution of all differences. Century and BEPCO have now resolved their differences, a part of which resolution involves BEPCO taking over the application process and operating the well to be drilled on the proposed unit. The resolution of differences did not change the proposed unit as reflected in the pre-application notice filed by Century.

In addition to the unit plat, there is attached hereto a list of the names and addresses of all Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties to whom a copy of this application is being sent. Pursuant to the Revised Rules of Procedure, such list is being forwarded only to the Commissioner of Conservation and to the District Manager of the Lafayette District of the Office of Conservation. A copy of the list will be furnished by the undersigned to any party so requesting. A reasonable effort was made to obtain a complete list of Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties.

Applicant will provide for posting of a copy of the Legal Notice of this hearing and the enclosed plat at a prominent place in the area affected and will cause publication of the Legal Notice in a newspaper published in the general area of Clam Bay Field, all in accordance with the Revised Rules of Procedure. Furthermore, a copy of the Legal Notice will be mailed to all Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties promptly upon receipt of the Legal Notice from the Commissioner.

Finally, we enclose our check payable to the Commissioner of Conservation for the

application fee.

David L. Smelley

Attorney for BEPCO, L.P.

DLS:dp Enclosures

cc: Mr. Richard Hudson (w/encls.)

Mr. Kevin Smith (w/encls.) Mr. Louis Gilbert (w/encls.)

Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties (w/plat only)

